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1. SUMMARY - ADVANCE PARTY MEMBERS VISITED KIEV JULY 13-15 FOR FAMILIARIZATION WITH PROPERTIES AND MADE INFORMAL CONTACTS WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS. NO FORMAL TALKS WERE HELD ON THE ISSUE OF STEELETSKAYA TERRITORY DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF LAVRUKHIN ON VACATION. DURING EVENTS CONNECTED WITH OPENING OF PHOTOGRAPHY USA EXHIBITION, CONG BARBER CONABLE AND I HAD OPPORTUNITY TO INDICATE PERSONALLY TO MAYOR OF KIEV AND OTHER LOCAL OFFICIALS US INTEREST IN MOVING AHEAD QUICKLY TO SOLVE REMAINING ISSUES. I ALSO VISITED OUR THREE KIEV PROPERTIES AND COMMENT BELOW. END SUMMARY

2. FLORENTSIYA - MFA AND UPKK REPS, AND THEIR ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL EXPERTS, ACCOMPANIED ADVANCE PARTY MEMBERS TO FLORENTSIYA FOR FURTHER ON-SITE DISCUSSIONS OF TWO PROPOSED DOORWAYS AND ONE CORRIDOR DISAPPROVED BY SOVIET BUILDING DESIGNER. WE WERE PROMISED A COPY OF HIS WRITTEN DECISION AND TOOK MEASUREMENTS TOGETHER WITH NOTES ON STRUCTURAL DETAILS IN EACH INSTANCE (SEE REFTEL). DRAWINGS AND NOTES WILL BE FORWARDED TO EUR/SOV-MR. BARRY ASAP. SOVIET EXPERTS CONTINUE TO BE ADAMANTLY OPPOSED TO DOORWAYS AND CORRIDOR, ALTHOUGH APPARENTLY ADMITTING COMPROMISE OF "PASS-THROUGH" OPENINGS IN APARTMENTS "A" AND "C".

3. ADVANCE PARTY CONCLUDES, AND I CONCUR, THAT BARRING EXPERT CHALLENGE ON THE SPOT TO THE SOVIET POSITIONS BY ARCHITECT KNOOP

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OR OTHER STRUCTURAL EXPERT, US SIDE MUST, HOWEVER RELUCTANTLY,

ACCEPT CHANGES IN THE FLORENTSIYA FLOOR PLAN, WHICH OF COURSE
WILL MEAN MUCH LESS ATTRACTIVE AND LIVABLE APARTMENTS.

4. SOVIETS HAVE NOW COMPLETED KNOCKING OUT OF PARTITIONS PER KNOOP
PLAN AT FLORENTSIYA. UPKK REP INFORMALLY ADVISED PORTER THAT
FURTHER WORK COULD ONLY REALISTICALLY CONTINUE UPON US DECISION RE
MODIFICATIONS. HE POINTED OUT THAT CONTRACT SPECIFIED THREE
MONTHS TO COMPLETION AND WONDERED ALOUD IF THE CONTRACT SHOULD
NOT RUN FROM TIME WORK CAN BE REINITIATED.

5. GORKY - IN MY PERSONAL INSPECTION OF GORKY PROPERTY, I WAS
IMPRESSED THAT WE HAVE TAKEN A SERIOUSLY MISTAKEN APPROACH THERE.
I RECOMMEND WE UTILIZE THE FIRST AND SECOND FLOORS, (SEE MOSCOW 3563)
VICE SECOND AND THIRD. I ALSO FEEL STRONGLY THAT THE CG MUST
HAVE A SEPARATE FRONT, REPEAT FRONT, ENTRANCE AND RECOMMEND THE
TWO APARTMENTS ON THE SECOND FLOOR UTILIZE THE EXISTING FRONT
ENTRANCE. THE VERY SMALL SIZE OF THE GORKY REAR COURT, LACK
OF VEHICLE CIRCULATION AND GENERALLY POOR SURROUNDINGS MAKE THE
REAR ENTRANCE A VERTIBLE CHORNIY VXOD TOTALLY UNSUITABLE FOR CG
RESIDENCE. A FACTOR IN FAVOR OF THESE CHANGES IS OUR BELIEF THE
SOVIETS ARE FLEXIBLE ON OUR CHOICE OF FLOORS.

6. STRELETSKAYA - NO SUBSTANTIVE CONVERSATIONS TOOK PLACE ON
STRELETSKAYA PROPERTY IN THE ABSENCE OF FIRST DEPUTY MAYOR
LAVRUKHIN. WHILE MFA IN MOSCOW INDICATES WE CAN EXPECT TO GO BACK
TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE ON JULY 20, KIEV AUTHORITIES MADE NO
SUCH PREDICTION; WE UNDERSTAND LAVRUKHIN WILL RETURN ABOUT AUGUST
1. PORTER AND BYRNS PLAN TO BE IN KIEV JULY 19-23 AND WILL UNDER-
TAKE TO MEET WITH OFFICIALS AND DISCUSS STRELETSKAYA TERRITORY
QUESTION.

7. IN ORDER TO AVOID POSSIBILITY OF OBSTACLES POTENTIALLY MORE
COSTLY IN TIME AND FUNDS THAN FLORENTSIYA DOORWAYS, I RECOMMEND
DEPARTMENT GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO SENDING ARCHITECT OUT
TO REVIEW PERSONALLY STRELETSKAYA AND GORKY PLANS AT EARLY STAGE
WITH KIEV DESIGNERS-ENGINEERS.
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